

SAY WAGE EARNERS NEED A SQUARE MEAL MORE THAN THEY NEED INVESTIGATION

New York, Oct. 1.—"For the well-being of mankind throughout the world," as they characterized it, the trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation today announced inauguration of an investigation into the problem of industrial relations and the appointment of Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, former minister of labor for Canada, as its director.

In method, the investigation is to be carried on after the manner of the institute for medical research. The root of the social disorder, which the foundation acknowledges exists today, is, it is stated, to be probed to the bottom, systematically and scientifically.

It will be sought to disclose the cause of the "bitter enmities and destructive tendencies" between capital and labor and to "find means of promoting harmonious, united action between the two great bodies."

In announcing the investigation, the foundation says:

"In facing the problem, the Rockefeller Foundation is deliberately attempting to grapple with what it believes to be the most complicated and at the same time the most urgent question of modern times and it is for this reason that the investigation has been started.

"The foundation is not baffled by the knowledge that the task has seemed hitherto well-nigh hopeless and that the literature on the subject is so vast as to be overwhelming. There may be reasons for patient approach of the subject, but no reason for inaction.

"In going into another country and selecting as the person to have direction of this most important work, one whose public services have gained for him an outstanding position as leading authority on industrial problems, the trustees have shown their desire, not only to free the foundation from any suspicion of

interest or prejudice in the investigation of the most controversial of all problems, but also their readiness to enlist the services of the best men available, no matter where they are to be found.

"It is no small guarantee of the spirit in which the work of this investigation is to be carried on that Mr. Mackenzie King, after years of public service in handling labor problems has, by his known impartiality and disinterested purpose, retained the good will, confidence and respect of employees and representatives of labor alike."

Denver, Col., Oct. 1.—"If the Rockefeller Foundation is sincere in wanting to do something to promote better relations between employer and employee in this country, it ought to urge John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to accept President Wilson's plan to end the Colorado coal strike and then go ahead with its other investigations."

This was the statement today of Frank J. Hayes, international vice president of the United Mine Workers of America, who has helped direct the strike here for over a year.

"There is plenty of work for the foundation to do here," he said. "And the first person it would have to investigate, if it came, is the man whose money has endowed it.

"The wage earner today needs a few square meals, a few more modern comforts before he will have much patience with an investigation conducted by an organization financed with money a part of which should in good conscience have gone to them in wages."

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Four men who captured thief who broke window at Liebolt's jewelry store, State and Monroe sts., given \$25 each. Burglar had taken \$950 worth of gems.

242 autos stolen during summer. New record. Few recovered.